

WHITE COUNTY BOARD MEETING
DECEMBER 13, 2005

A special meeting of the White County Board begun and holden this 13th day of December 2005 in the Courtroom of the White County Courthouse in the City of Carmi.

Chairman Wooten called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Clerk Dozier called the roll with Nelson, Ray, Mitchell, Trout and Wooten all present.

Chairman Wooten asked the Board if they had received copies of the minutes of the November 8 and 28th meetings and are there any additions, changes or deletions to those minutes. Mrs. Mitchell made a motion to waive the reading of the minutes of the previous meetings and approve the minutes of the previous meetings as proposed in writing. Mr. Trout seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0 on roll call vote.

Chairman Wooten asked the Board to look over the current bills and he would entertain a motion for approval. Mr. Ray asked what the \$3,000.00 check written to CMS was for and Sheriff Maier replied it was grant money obtained to purchase three in car computers so that the officers could run their own 1028. Mr. Nelson made a motion to pay all current bills, seconded by Ray. Motion passed 5-0 on roll call vote.

Chairman Wooten asked Clerk Dozier to explain some of the added responsibilities with the upcoming election. Clerk Dozier stated that in the recent legislative session the legislature enacted a law for early voting which will require the Clerk to allow individuals to vote without cause. Clerk Dozier stated that there would be a need for additional personnel because they are talking about the office remaining open on Sunday and holidays.

Chairman Wooten asked Jack Bosaw the County Engineer how the snow removal went for his crews. Mr. Bosaw stated that it went really well until the wind started blowing and drifting the snow. Chairman Wooten asked Mr. Bosaw what the cost to the County would be to start using salt instead of sand. Mr. Bosaw stated that the salt alone would cost the County around \$50,000.00 plus the highway does not have a dome to store in or the equipment to spread it. Mr. Bosaw stated that salt is very destructive to road surfaces especially those that have cracks in them.

Mr. Roger Heckler, Director of the Ambulance Service stated that he had presented his report in writing to his Committee and to the Board.

Mr. Doug Maier, White County Sheriff, stated that this City/County Jail Committee had met prior to this meeting and his report was submitted to the committee and full Board in writing.

Chairman Wooten stated that the next 9-1-1 meeting would be held on Monday, December 19, 2005 at 7:00 p.m. in the Courtroom.

Chairman Wooten stated that the only communication that he had received was on the resignation of James Gillespie of the Route One Association. Mr. Gillespie was questioning the fate of the Route One Association after his retirement. Chairman Wooten stated that the County always gave the Route One Association a \$100.00 contribution per year.

Chairman Wooten recognized Mr. Baumgart of the Farm Bureau.

Chairman Wooten asked if there were any visitors who would like to address the Board. Mr. Jim Cutchin who works for the U.S. Attorney General's Office as a Federal Prosecutor addressed the Board about continuing in the Drug Task Force. Mr. Cutchin stated that he was at the meeting as a citizen of White County not in an official capacity. Mr. Cutchin stated that he knew White County was experiencing budget difficulties and that was the reason he did not visit the Board at the November meeting. Mr. Cutchin stated that after some review that he found where the County Board could pay for the Drug Task Force Officer. Mr. Cutchin explained that the County had an Anti-Crime Fund which could support the Task Force. Chairman Wooten stated that there was only enough money in that fund to support the Task Force for one year and the fund did not generate enough income per year to keep the Task Force going. The Board asked Sheriff Maier how some of the funds were being spent from the Anti-Crime Fund. Sheriff Maier replied that the Anti-Crime Fund was being spent to fund drug fee activities such as the summer league, Dare Program, drug free

graduation parties etc. Chairman Wooten read an addendum letter to the FOP contract, which states that in the event of lay-off the Drug Task Force Officer must be the first position to be laid off. Chairman Wooten stated that the Sheriff can currently place any of his deputies with the Task Force if he so desires, and that would not increase the budget because that individual would already be on the County payroll. Chairman Wooten explained to Mr. Cutchin that the Board was very concerned about the drug activity in White County and surrounding Counties but this was strictly a dollar and cents approach trying to balance the budget. Mr. Wooten stated that this decision was not made lightly by him or any of the other members of the Board. Mrs. Denise Burnett, White County Treasurer stated that not all the funds in the Anti-Crime belong strictly to that fund. Mrs. Burnett stated that she receives two checks from the Circuit Clerk's Office one for anti-crime one for Drug Prevention. Mr. Ray stated that the Board was running a business and with labor negotiations and contracts this was strictly a business decision and he hated that the County was dropping out, but the decision was made to be able to balance the books. Chairman Wooten thanked Mr. Cutchin and stated that the Board would consider looking into the Anti-Crime Fund as a solution for fund the Drug Task Force Officer at the January meeting.

Mr. Jack Bosaw, County Engineer presented the following resolution for consideration of the Board. Mr. Bosaw stated that this was the annual load limit resolution, which allowed the County Engineer to publish and post the roads during freezing and thawing weather.

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, by the County Board of White County, Illinois, in a special meeting held in the Court House in the City of Carmi on December 13, 2005, that a load limit be imposed on County Roads in White County, Illinois, for a period of ninety (90) days. This resolution becomes effective upon publication of same as road conditions warrant. The load limit shall be as follows:

2 Axle Trucks = 16,000 lbs. - Gross Vehicle Weight

3 Axle Trucks = 24,000 lbs. - Gross Vehicle Weight

4 Axle Trucks = 32,000 lbs. - Gross Vehicle Weight

5 Axle Trucks = 40,000 lbs. - Gross Vehicle Weight

CALL for Aye and/or Nay vote:

Nelson: Aye

Trout: Aye

Ray: Aye

Wooten: Aye

Mitchell: Aye

State of Illinois)
)ss
White County)

I, PAULA DOZIER, Clerk of the County Court and Ex-Officio Clerk of the County Board within and for the County and State aforesaid, do hereby certify that the within and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Resolution passed by the County Board of White county Illinois, at Carmi, held on the 13th day of December A.D., 2005.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal this 13th day of December 2005.

Paula Dozier
County Clerk and Ex-Officio Clerk
Of the County Board of White County

Mr. Trout made the motion to adopt the load limit resolution, seconded by Nelson. Motion passed 5-0 on roll call vote.

Mr. Bosaw presented the annual maintenance resolution for consideration of the Board.

MAINTENANCE RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, by the County Board of White County, that \$400,000.00 is appropriated from the Motor Fuel Tax allotment for the maintenance on county or State highways and meeting the requirements of the Illinois Highway Code, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the maintenance sections or patrols be maintained under the provision of said Illinois Highway Code during the year ending December 31, 2006, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Engineer/County Superintendent of Highways shall, as soon as practicable after the close of the period as given above, submit to the Department of Transportation, on forms furnished by said Department, a certified statement showing expenditures from and balances remaining in funds authorized for expenditure by said Department under this appropriation, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Clerk is hereby directed to transmit two certified copies of this resolution to the district office of the Department of Transportation.

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) ss.
WHITE COUNTY)

I, PAULA DOZIER County Clerk, in and for said County, in the State aforesaid, and keeper of the records and files thereof, as provided by statute, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true, perfect and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the County Board of White County Courthouse at its special meeting held at Carmi, Illinois on December 13, 2005.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said County at my office in Carmi, Illinois in said County, this 13th day of December A. D. 2005.

Paula Dozier
County Clerk

Mr. Nelson made a motion to approve the annual maintenance resolution, seconded by Ray. Motion passed 5-0 on roll call vote.

Chairman Wooten stated that the next item on the agenda was to consider the re-appointment of Michael "Spud" Egbert and Elmo Jones to the Southern Illinois Workforce Investment Board for a three-year term that will expire February 2009. Mrs. Mitchell made the motion seconded by Ray. Motion passed 5-0 on roll call vote.

Chairman Wooten stated that the next item on the agenda was to consider the appointment of David Brown as Commissioner of the Hawthorne Drainage District #2 for a term that will expire on the first Tuesday of September 2008. Mr. Trout made the motion to appoint David Brown as Commissioner to the Hawthorne Drainage District #2, seconded by Mitchell. Motion carried 5-0 on roll call vote.

Chairman Wooten stated that the Board needed to consider the appointment of William Jones as Commissioner to the Mud Creek Drainage District for a term that will expire the first Tuesday in September 2008. Mr. Nelson made the motion to appoint William Jones to the Mud Creek Drainage District, seconded by Troutl. Motion passed 5-0 on roll call vote.

Mrs. Denise Burnett, White County Treasurer asked the Board to consider the following resolution which would allow her to raise her Tax Automation fee from \$6.00 to \$10.00 per delinquent tax parcel.

COLLECTORS TAX SALE AUTOMATION FUND FEE

WHEREAS, 35 ILCS 200-21-245 of the Illinois Compiled Statutes creates the tax sale automation fund fee to be assessed by the County Collector to the purchaser of property for delinquent taxes; and

WHEREAS, White County has an automated record keeping system used for the processing of the delinquent property tax sales; and

WHEREAS, the statutes will allow the County Collector to raise the fee for the Tax Sale Automation Fund Fee to \$10.00 per delinquent parcel; and

WHEREAS, the Collector currently is charging only \$6.00 per delinquent parcel; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the County Collector, beginning with the next tax sale collect \$10.00 per delinquent parcel from the purchasers of the sale; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Treasurer place the \$10.00 per delinquent parcel fee in a fund designated as the Tax Sale Automation Fund. The fund shall be audited by the County Auditor and the board with the approval of the Treasurer shall make expenditures from the fund to pay the cost related to automation of property tax collections and delinquent property tax sales, including cost of hardware, software, research and development, and personnel. The Tax Sale Automation Fee Fund may also pay to defray the cost of providing electronic access to property tax collection records and delinquent tax sale record.

PASSED, this 13th day of December 2005.

Members Elected: Five

Members Present: Five

Nelson:
Ray:
Mitchell:

Trout:
Wooten:

ADOPTED, this 13th day of December 2005.

Ron Wooten, Chairman

ATTEST:

Paula Dozier, White County Clerk

Mr. Nelson made a motion seconded by Ray. Motion passed 5-0 on roll call vote.

Chairman Wooten stated that the next item was a letter of support for the Southeastern Illinois Visitors Bureau for FY 2007. Chairman Wooten explained that this was an annual letter and it did not obligate White County to any type of funding for the Bureau. Mrs. Mitchell made a motion to send a letter of support for the Southeastern Illinois Visitors Bureau, seconded by Ray. Motion carried 5-0 on roll call vote.

Chairman Wooten stated that it was necessary to amend the intergovernmental agreement between White County and 9-1-1 Emergency Telephone System Board.

**AMENDMENT TO INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN WHITE COUNTY
AND
THE WHITE COUNTY EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM BOARD**

- 4.1.1 This "Amendment to Intergovernmental Agreement" is entered into this 13th day of December, 2005 between County of White, Illinois, "hereinafter referred to as "White County") and the White County Emergency Telephone System Board, White County, Illinois, (hereinafter referred to as the "WCETSB").

WITNESSETH:

RECITALS

White County and WCETSB entered into an Intergovernmental Agreement on November 8, 2005, setting forth the terms and conditions under which White County would participate in the White County Enhanced 9-1-1 Emergency Response System, and provide emergency call taking and dispatching (PSAP). White County and WCETSB agree that the Intergovernmental Agreement should be amended by modifying the following section:

5. COMPENSATION

- 5.1 During the term of this agreement, the WCETSB agrees to compensate White County an amount comparable to the personnel services, retirement, FICA Medicare contributions, travel and cost for overtime for PSAP services provided.
- 5.2 White County estimates these expenditures (for two (2) dispatchers) to be \$68,000.00 for the first year of this agreement. This amount may be adjusted each year thereafter to account for cost of living, longevity and other increases necessitated by union contract or other mandates. The amount may also be reduced proportionately should there be a reduction in the number of dispatchers needed to fulfill PSAP duties.
- 5.3 Payments may be made payable to White County on a monthly basis for the life of the contract. Actual expenditures shall be calculated at the end of each fiscal year and any balance overpayment shall be rolled over and applied to the next fiscal year balance due.
- 5.4 White County employees funded by WCETSB will be compensated at their applicable rate of compensation as outlined in the collective bargaining contract. When travel is required, the rates established by the County of White will prevail.
- 5.5 In the event of cancellation of this agreement prior to the expiration of the agreement, payment shall be made only for services rendered.

In all other respects, the November 8, 2005 "Intergovernmental Agreement White County and the White County Emergency Telephone System Board" is ratified and republished as if fully set forth herein, and shall continue in full force and effect.

WHEREFORE, the parties hereto have caused this "Amendment to Intergovernmental Agreement" to be executed on the date and year set forth above.

WHITE COUNTY EMERGENCY

WHITE COUNTY TELEPHONE SYSTEM BOARD

Ronnie J. Wooten
Chairman

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Mr. Trout made a motion to amend the intergovernmental agreement between White County and the Emergency Telephone System Board. Motion seconded by Nelson. Motion passed 5-0 on roll call vote.

Chairman Wooten stated that the next item on the agenda was to consider the annual bond cap resolution. Clerk Dozier explained by White County adopting this resolution it allows the banks to offer low interest loans to first time home buyers and several of the banks in the County have taken advantage of this incentive.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR BOND VOLUME CAP,
ISSUANCE OF BONDS AND EXECUTION OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL
AGREEMENT WITH THE ILLINOIS HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**

WHEREAS, White County, Illinois, (the "County") is a political subdivision duly organized and validly existing under the Constitution and the laws of the State of Illinois, (the "State") ; and

WHEREAS, as a non-home rule unit, the County is eligible to apply for an annual allocation of tax-exempt bond volume cap ("Bond Cap") from the Local Government Pool established by the State pursuant to the Illinois Private Activity Bond Allocation Act, 30- ILCS 345/1, et seq.; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Local Government Housing Finance Act, 50 ILCS 465/1, et seq. (the "Act"), the County, through the White County Board, may authorize the issuance of certain mortgage revenue bonds, (" Mortgage Revenue Bonds") the proceeds of which may be used to purchase qualified mortgage loans to qualified homebuyers living within the boundaries of the County; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Constitution and the laws of the State, and particularly Section 10 of Article VII of the 1970 Constitution of the State and the Intergovernmental Cooperation Act, 5 ILCS 220/1 et seq., units of government may exercise jointly any power which they could exercise individually; and

WHEREAS, the County has determined that there exists within the borders of the County, a recognized need for decent, safe, quality, residential housing affordable to persons of low and moderate income; and

WHEREAS, the County wishes to apply to the Office of the Governor for an allocation of Bond Cap from the Local Government Pool; and

WHEREAS, upon receipt of an allocation of Bond Cap, the County wished to enter into an intergovernmental agreement with the Authority (the "Intergovernmental Agreement") whereby the County will allocate the Bond Ca[for issuance by the Authority of Mortgage Revenue Bonds (the "Bonds"), on behalf of the County, to implement a single family program for the County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Board of White County, as follows:

1. The County Board Chairman and County Clerk of White makes the findings and determinations set forth in the preamble. The terms defined in the preamble are adopted for the purposes of this Resolution.

2. In order to provide decent, safe and sanitary housing for persons of low and moderate income in White County, Illinois, it is deemed necessary and desirable for the County to issue revenue bonds in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$100,000,000.
3. The County is hereby authorized to apply to the Governor's Office for an allocation of Bond Cap from the Local Government Pool for the calendar year 2006 for the issuance of the bonds in the amounts of \$50,000,000.
4. Pursuant to the Constitution of the State and the Intergovernmental Cooperation Act, the County may enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Authority wherein it may choose to issue the bonds jointly with the Authority or have the bonds issued by the Authority on its behalf, such determinations to be made in the best interests of the County by the County Board Chairman and County Clerk or any other official authorized thereby.
5. The County may choose to issue the bonds (or have the bonds issued on its behalf) in order to provide financing for single family residences within the boundaries of the County, such determination to be made in the best interests of the County by the Board Chairman and the County Clerk or any other official authorized thereby.
6. The County Board Chairman or County Clerk and all other proper officials, agents and employees of the County are hereby authorized and empowered to do all acts and things and to execute all documents and instruments as may be necessary to further the purposes and intent of this Resolution.
7. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

Dated this 13th day of December, 2005

Ron Wooten, Chairman
White County Board

ATTEST:

Paula Dozier
White County Clerk

Mrs. Mitchell made a motion to approve the Bond Volume Cap seconded by Nelson. Motion carried 5-0 on roll call vote.

Chairman Wooten stated that an Executive Session was necessary to discuss personnel. Mr. Trout made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel. Motion seconded by Nelson. Motion passed 5-0 on roll call vote.

Mr. Nelson Trout made a motion to come out of Executive Session, seconded by Trout. Motion carried 5-0 on roll call vote.

Chairman Wooten stated that the Board needed to amend the budget by taking \$8,000.00 from hospitalization and life insurance and moving it to elections. Mr. Trout made the motion, seconded by Ray. Motion carried 4-0-1 with Mitchell passing.

Chairman Wooten stated that the next Board meeting would be held on January 10, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. in the Courtroom.

Mrs. Mitchell made a motion to adjourn seconded by Trout Motion passed 5-0 on roll call vote.

